INTERIM COUNCIL OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, February 2, 1979

Present: R. E. Wall, W. Akin, J. Chaikelson, J. Bhatnagar, M. Brian, R. Cannon, S. Casey, S. Dubas, M. Euvrard, C. Fischer, D. Frost, P. Garnet, T. Gray, D. Haccoun, J. Kornblatt, K. Kusano, J. Macaluso, A. Lajoie, M. Malik, D. McDougall, G. McLaughlin, S. Mullett, B. Petrie, B. Sanhi, R. Tittler, J. Tresierra, G. Trudel, M. Osborne

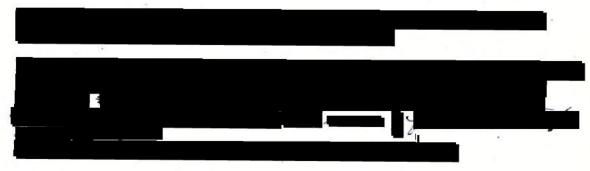
Absent with Regrets: M. Cohen, C. Davis, A. Galler, H. Habib, G. Newsham.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:20 p.m.

Closed Session

Honorary Degrees



Open Session

Approval of Minutes

It was noted that the reference to Chemistry C244 on page 3, should in fact be to Chemistry C224.

79-2-2 It was moved and seconded (Lajoie/Casey) that the minutes of the meeting of January 12, 1979, as corrected, be approved.

The question was called on the motion and was CARRIED.

Business Arising

a) <u>Student Representation on the Arts and Science Panel (Regulations Regarding Cheating)</u>

79-2-3 It was moved and seconded (Lajoie/Brian) to appoint Gerald McLaughlin

and Milton D'Ganigian to the Arts and Science Panel (Regulations Regarding Cheating)

The question was called on the motion and was CARRIED.

b) Dr. Wall announced that the members of Senate had approved the composition of the Permanent Council of the Faculty of Arts and Scinece and that as soon as the Board of Governors acts the new Council will come into effect. Dr. Wall added that the Steering Committee would send its recommendations to the departments on how to proceed with the new elections. He suggested that for those whose terms will end in May the departments should elect someone for a three-year term, while those with one or two years remaining might elect members to fill those terms.

The Chairman noted also that he would expect the Steering Committee to be replaced.

6. Question Period

One member pleaded for the return of the ashtrays which were conspicuously absent from the tables.

Elections

a) Dean's Advisory Committee for the Appointment of a Chairman of Religion

79-2-4 It was moved and seconded (Garnet/Macaluso) to approve the Steering Committee's recommendation to appoint Dr. M. Fahey to the Dean's Advisory Committee for the Appointment of a Chairman of Religion.

The question was called on the motion and was CARRIED.

8. Regulations for Honours Programmes in the Faculty (ASC 79-2-D1, D4; ASC 78-5-D7)

Dr. Wall reported that, unfortunately, Asst. Dean Adler was unable to be present at the meeting because of a death in the family and he thought that it would be appropriate, under the circumstances, to carry item 8 over to the next meeting. He said that the paper which had been circulated at the beginning of the meeting was in addition to that already distributed.

Dr. Tittler requested that he be permitted to post notice of motion for the next meeting. His request was granted and the following motion was read:

. . . that the following statement replace item 2. under 16.2.4. (Honours Programmes - New Concordia Regulations) in the undergraduate Calendar.

2. An Honours student must maintain an average of 75% or "B" in all courses taken in the department in which he is seeking an Honours degree. The minimum acceptable grade in such courses will be 65%.

and

- 3. An Honours student must maintain an average of 75% or "B" in all courses taken in each academic year. For part-time students this will be calculated in eighteen credit blocks.
- 9. Other Business
- a) Practice of Holding Final Examinations in the Last Week of Classes

Dr. Wall reported that in spite of the regulation in effect which prohibits holding examinations during the last week of classes, the practice was widespread, and that there have been numerous complaints from students. He said that the suggestion has been that Senate should do something about the situation, but at a Deans' meeting, it had been decided that Councils should respond before Senate considers the matter.

A discussion on the topic resulted in the usual suggestion that the Steering Committee prepare a paper for presentation at the next meeting of Council. It was also decided that whatever stand Council takes on the matter, its recommendations should be circulated to departments for comment.

10. Next Meeting

March 2, 1979.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was ajourned at 3:14 p.m.